



The Maternity of the Blessed Virgin Mary

January 1st

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(The people's responses in bold represent wording that Pope Benedict had changed in the Mass throughout the world.)

Greeting

Priest: *The Lord be with you.*
People: **And with your spirit.**

The Confiteor

I confess to almighty God
and to you, my brothers and sisters,
that I have **greatly sinned**
in my thoughts and in my words,
in what I have done
and in what I have failed to do,
(*And then striking your breast three times*)
through my fault,
through my fault,
through my most grievous fault;
therefore, I ask blessed Mary ever-Virgin,
all the Angels and Saints,
and you, my brothers and sisters,
to pray for me to the Lord our God.

Priest: Lord have mercy. People: Lord have mercy.
Priest: Christ have mercy. People: Christ have mercy.
Priest: Lord have mercy. People: Lord have mercy.*

**(Or any other option the priest chooses. "The Lord have mercy" can be sung as "Kyrie eléison" or the Penitential hymn "Asperges" may be sung.)*

Gloria

Glory to God in the highest,
and **on earth peace to people of good will.**
We praise you,
we bless you,
we adore you,
we glorify you,
we give you thanks **for your great glory,**
Lord God, heavenly King.
O God, almighty Father.

Lord Jesus Christ,
Only Begotten Son,
Lord God, Lamb of God,
Son of the Father,
you take away the **sins** of the world,
have mercy on us;
you take away the sins of the world,
receive our prayer;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father,
have mercy on us.

For you alone are the Holy One,
you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

A Reading from the Book of Numbers (NM 6:22-27)

The LORD said to Moses: "Speak to Aaron and his sons and tell them: This is how you shall bless the Israelites. Say to them: The LORD bless you and keep you! The LORD let his face shine upon you, and be gracious to you! The LORD look upon you kindly and give you peace! So shall they invoke my name upon the Israelites, and I will bless them."

Lector: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

The Responsorial: May God bless us in his mercy.

(PS 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8)

A Reading from the Letter of St. Paul to the Galatians

(GAL 4:4-7)

Brothers and sisters: When the fullness of time had come, God sent his Son,
born of a woman, born under the law, to ransom those under the law,
so that we might receive adoption as sons. As proof that you are sons,
God sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, crying out, "Abba, Father!"
So you are no longer a slave but a son, and if a son then also an heir, through God.

Lector: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Lector: Alleluia

People Only: Alleluia (*Stand*)

Lector Only: In the past God spoke to our ancestors through the prophets;
In these last days, he has spoken to us through the Son.

People Only: Alleluia

Priest: The Lord be with you.

People: **And with your spirit.**

A Reading from the Holy Gospel according to Luke LK 2:16-21)

People: Glory to you, O Lord.

The shepherds went in haste to Bethlehem and found Mary and Joseph,
and the infant lying in the manger. When they saw this, they made
known the message that had been told them about this child. All who
heard it were amazed by what had been told them by the shepherds.
And Mary kept all these things, reflecting on them in her heart. Then
the shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all they had
heard and seen, just as it had been told to them.

When eight days were completed for his circumcision, he was named
Jesus, the name given him by the angel before he was conceived in
the womb.

Priest: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to You, Lord

Creed

I believe in one God, the Father almighty,
Maker of heaven and earth,
of all **things visible and invisible**.

I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the Only **Begotten** Son of God,
born of the Father **before all ages**.
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
consubstantial with the Father;
through Him all things were made.
For us men and for our salvation He came down
from heaven,
At the words that follow, up to and including and became Man, all bow
and by the Holy Spirit was Incarnate of the
Virgin Mary and became Man.

For our sake He was crucified under Pontius
Pilate,
He suffered death and was buried,
and rose again on the
third day
in **accordance with** the Scriptures.
He ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living
and the dead and his kingdom will have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the Giver of
Life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
Who with the Father and the Son **is adored** and
glorified, **who** has spoken through the prophets.

I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church.
I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins
and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead
and the life of the world to come.
Amen.

Prayer Said by the People After The Pray Brethren Prayer of the Priest

May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands
for the praise and glory of His Name,
for our good and the good of all His **holy**
church.

Priest: *The Lord be with you.*

People: **And with your spirit.**

Priest: *Lift up your hearts.*

People: We lift them up to the Lord.

Priest: *Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.*

People: **It is right and just.**

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of **Hosts**.
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the
Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

Priest: *The mystery of Faith.*

People: **We proclaim your Death, O Lord,
and profess your Resurrection until You
come again.**

Priest: *The peace of the Lord be with you
always.*

People: **And with your spirit.**

Priest: ***Behold the Lamb of God, behold Him
who takes away the sins of the world. Blessed
are those called to the supper of the Lamb.***

People: Lord, I am not worthy **that You should
enter under my roof**, but only say the word and
my soul shall be healed.

Concluding Rites

Priest: *The Lord be with you.*

People: **And with your spirit.**

Priest: *Go forth the Mass is ended.*

People: Thanks be to God.